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THE pernicious Effects of the intended Importation of the East India Company's Tea, in a commerical View, were in general pointed out to you in my laſt Number. It ſhall now be the Amuſement of an Hour to anſwer Objections, and to unfold to you more particularly *ſome* of the numerous Evils that unavoidably await you if they ſucceed in that Project. Unfortunately for human Nature, the States which have enjoyed the greateſt Share of Liberty have given Birth, Opulence, and Importance, to Miſcreants who have proſtituted theſe Bleſſings to enſlave, inſtead of protecting their Country. Rome had its Cæſars, and England its Staffords. Happy had it been for this diſtreſſed Colony if no ſuch accurſed *Achans* were found in your Camp. But, Thanks be to God, there are not many who are ſo hardy as openly to declare for, or patronize, the Machinations either of the Miniſtry or that Company to enſlave this Country. Thoſe, therefore, who deſire to ſee their Country ſacked by Harpies and Parricides, that they may ſhare the Plunder, have Recourſe to inſidious Arts to impoſe on the Ignorance and Credulity of the unſuſpicious Few who are dependent on or connected with them. As the firſt are ſenſible of the publick Abhorrence, and dare not openly abet a Meaſure, which, to their great Mortification, and the Joy of all good Men, is conſidered as replete with the Ruin of your Commerce and the Liberties of America, their Arguments in Favour of the Importation can only be collected from the Whiſpers of their Creatures. Theſe ſhall be fully conſidered, and every Appearance of Argument that may occur in Favour of it. Should it be ſaid there is no Danger of your being ſubject to the Company's Extortion, becauſe Merchants, when the Tea is once introduced, will import it as uſual from London, and, as the Sale of it will be in many Hands, the Country will be ſupplied upon as moderate Terms as uſual, whoever aſſerts this muſt either be a Knave or a Novice, totally a Stanger to Commerce. Can any Merchant purchaſe Tea of the Company in London and diſpoſe of it here upon equal Terms with them? No. Becauſe the firſt muſt purchaſe it of the laſt, and therefore he will not attempt to bring that Article to the ſame Market with thoſe who have it at firſt Hand and at the cheapeſt Rate from India, as he muſt know they can and will underſell him; and therefore, as he will not import any, you will fall a Prey to the Avarice and Monopoly of the Company. Here then their Advocates fail. Equally futile will it be to aſſert, that, as the Sale of the Company's Tea will be at publick Vendue, you will be ſupplied with it at a moderate Price. Common Experience evinces, that whether the Sale of any Commodity be publick or private it does not alter the Price. If ſuch Article be in Demand, and within the Conſumption, there will be Competitors for the Purchaſe; for the higher any Article is the quicker the Sale, and conſequently the greater the Encouragement to the Retailers to buy it. For although the Sale of Tea is publick in London, they expoſe only ſuch a Quantity of it as they know, from the Demand, will produce a Price to their Satisfaction. And there have not been wanting late Inſtances there of ſuch notorious and manifeſt Extortion, from ſuch Sales, that the Citizens were obliged to petition the Parliament for a Law to diſſolve the Company, or to enable them to import Tea from abroad, when it exceeded a certain Price. This has, in ſome Caſes, induced the Company to enlarge their Sales. Hence, you ſee that a Complaint to Parliament was neceſſary to check their Extortion. But have you any ſuch Security againſt it? No. Will the Parliament, who is in League with the Company to *fleece* you of your *All*, hear your Complaints againſt the Inſtruments of their Tyranny? No. Here then the Advocates of the Company fail.

I know it is ſaid "that the Colony will not be in Danger of Extortion from the Company, becauſe whenever Tea ſhall riſe to an exorbitant Price the Holland Traders will import it. Let the Reader now pauſe a little, and conſider this Objection. Does it not, in ſo many Words, declare, that unleſs the Trade to Holland is proſecuted you will be in the Power of the mercileſs Company, to extort from you, for their Commodities, whatever Price their Avarice ſhall dictate? Nay, does it not declare againſt the intended Importation of the Company's Tea; as this Article has, at no Period ſince the Settlement of the Colony, been ſold ſo cheap as it has ſince the Non-Importation Agreement?

From that Period, to this, the mean Price has been under 4 s. a Pound, and not higher for any conſiderable Time than 4 s. 6 d. and if it had not been apprehended, for ſome Time, that the Company would riſk the Tea to America, which prevented the Orders of your ſpirited Merchants, you would have had this Article under 4 s. And you will be thus ſupplied, whenever you diſappoint the Hopes of thoſe who are alike Enemies to your Commerce and Liberty. Here then the Advocates of the Company fail. But it can be demonſtrated, as the Company is to eſtabliſh a Warehouſe in this City, they will prevent your Trade to Holland for the Commodities of India. I grant, that whenever the Holland Traders conceive the Company raiſes the Price of their Tea, or other Articles, ſo high as to make it the Intereſt of the former to run the Riſk of importing thoſe from Foreigners, it will be done, but not repeated. The Company are ſo connected with the Miniſtry, and play into each others Hands, that the firſt can borrow Millions of the Government. This, and other Advantages from their Capital, will enable them, upon ſuch Importation, to lower the Price of their Tea, &c. ſo as to make the Holland Traders, if they ſell theirs, ſmart for their Temerity; or, if they keep it for a better Market (which they cannot get) ſuffer by the Loſs of Intereſt. Whenever they have diſpoſed of their Tea, at either of thoſe Loſſes, the Company will raiſe their Tea at Pleaſure; and if the Holland Traders will be bold enough to make a ſecond Attempt, they will eaſily be defeated, by repeating the ſame Expedient.

This will be effected at the Expenſe of a few Thouſands Sterling, which they can put on the Tea when the entire Sale returns to them. Thus diſappointed with the Loſs of their Intereſt, the Holland Traders will decline the Purſuit of a Trade ſubject to a certain if not a total Loſs of their Property; and thus will you be entirely in the Power of the Eaſt India Company. Should it be ſaid, that you may as well be in their Power as the Holland Traders, let the Experience you have had of the latter, for near four Years, and of the former, ſince the Settlement of the Colony, be the Anſwer.

Whenever a Merchant, or Company, has the ſole vending of a Commodity, they impoſe on the Conſumers; and infinitely more ſo are they ſubject to the Extortion of a Company who has a permanent Monopoly, and thoſe Advantages to ſupport the true Spirit of it. Therefore, the Publick is always beſt ſerved when there are Competitors for the publick Favour, or Commerce. Caſt your Eyes now to the Loſs the Colony will ſuſtain by the Company's engroſſing the Trade of all the India Commodities conſumed and imported into it. When the Account of the Inhabitants of the Colony was taken in the Winters of 1770 and 1771, the Return amounted to 121,000 Souls; but as many Families were diſinclined to give up their Number, from an Apprehenſion that a Poll Tax was in Contemplation, I am confident that Numbers concealed. The Increaſe ſince that, and the Number of thoſe who emigrated from Europe, will make our Number at leaſt 150,000*. From this deduct a fifth Perſon, for all thoſe who are unable, diſinclined, or otherwiſe prevented, from purchaſing Tea, and the Number of Tea Drinkers will be 120,000. Allowing each of theſe to conſume three Pounds of Tea a Year, beſides Coffee, &c. the annual Conſumption of this Colony will be 363,000 Pounds of Tea, equal to 1000 Cheſts. The Importation of this Article to ſupply our Trade to the weſt Part of Connecticut, and the eaſt Part of Jerſey, may very moderately be fixed to Half the Quantity we conſume. This Quantity, at the moderate Price of 5 s. Currency a Pound, amounts to 136,125 l. From this Sale deduct the Freight of 30 s. a Cheſt, Enſurance, and Commiſſion for Shipping, at five per Cent. the neat Sum on which the Profit is to be calculated will be 127,181 l. 5 s. Currency. Suppoſe this yields the moderate Profit of ten per Cent. to the Purchaſers of Tea in London, the annual Loſs to your Merchants will be 11,561 l. 18 s. 6 d. To this add the Freight of 1500 Cheſts at 30 s. 2250 l. which their Ships will loſe, as the Company will ſend the Tea in their own Ships, then the annual Loſs to them on our Importation of Tea will be 13,811 l. 18 s. 6 d. The India Silks, Cottons, Spices, and China, imported for the Conſumption of this and thoſe two Colonies, may be computed to Half the Value of the Tea we import for thoſe Conſumptions. Allowing Half the Profit on thoſe Articles at the above Rate on Tea, and Half the Freight of it for the Freight of thoſe different Commodities, loſt to your Merchants, 4603 l. 19 s. 6 d. added to the Loſs they will ſuſtain by the Company's importing Tea you would import, amount to the enormous Sum of 20,717 l. 17 s. 9 d. Currency annual Loſs to this City. To this add the Duty on Tea conſumed in this Colony, 4537 l. 10 s. Sterling, at 75 per Cent, 7940 l. 12 s. Currency, will be 28,658 l. 9 s. 9 d. annual Loſs to this Colony. But this is but a ſmall Part of what the Company will extort from you, by the Monopoly of all the India Commodities you conſume. As no Man can conceive, and far leſs deſcribe, to what Pitch their unbounded Avarice will carry them, you have abundant Reaſon to dread the Conſequences. You have been fully informed to whom this Sacrifice of your Commerce will be made. To a Company which connived at, if not abetted, the moſt horrid Inhumanities and Cruelties the Sun ever beheld; to a Company now made the Inſtruments of a corrupt, a tyrannical Miniſtry, to give the laſt and finiſhing Stroke to your Commerce and your Liberties. It therefore concerns you to act with a Vigilance and Reſolution that become a free and trading People, if you would avert the Storm that now hangs over you, ready to ſtrip you of both, or you will be left Monuments of Folly and Puſillanimity to all Eternity!

HAMPDEN.

* *The Colony of Connecticut, in 1757, had this Number of Inhabitants.*

On the Miſapplication of our Time, *and* Talents.

NOTHING is more common than to hear People complain of the Shortneſs of Life, who waſte it with thoughtleſs Wantonneſs, and ſeldom extend their Thoughts beyond its Limits. Few, very few, ſeem inclined to contemplate that awful Event, which, before the Expiration of the preſent Hour, may happen to us; or to anticipate that vaſt Scene which lies beyond the Confines of Time, although it is a Subject wherein we are eſſentially intereſted. It is indeed "an undiſcovered Country, from whoſe drear Bourn no Traveller has returned;" yet, ſo far as Reaſon and Revelation can guide us, we ought to explore it. The Neglect of this important Buſineſs is a Proof of Folly. To a ſenſible Mind, unacquainted with the World, it would appear almoſt impoſſible that reaſonable and accountable Beings, whoſe Days are uncertain, and whoſe Happineſs in a future State depends on the due Performance of preſent Duties, ſhould be ſo regardleſs of their beſt Intereſts as not frequently to conſider their latter End. But general Experience confirms it to be a Truth: The preſent Moment engroſſes our Attention, and we ſilently paſs on to "the Houſe appointed for all the Living," without Thought, and without Reflection.

Whence can this Inconſiſtency of Conduct ariſe? Is it becauſe it is pleaſant to behold the Sun, and that even the bare Apprehenſion of being taken from viſible Things covers the Mind with a melancholy Gloom?

To the Virtuous, this can never be the Caſe; to the Vicious, indeed it may. They cannot reflect on their final Separation from what now delights them without feeling a ſecret Horrour; their Deſires and Proſpects are bounded by Senſuality, and they conſider no Loſs ſo great as that of thoſe Objects which now delight them. Eternity, in their View, is one vaſt gloomy Waſte, and ſtands arrayed in the Horrours of Annihilation. They have no juſt Idea of that Felicity, of thoſe celeſtial and permanent Enjoyments, which await the Virtuous, when they are removed from the illuſive Objects of Time and Senſe, and centred in a State unchangeable and everlaſting. They conſider not the End of their Being, or the imperiſhable Nature of an immortal Spirit; are not conſcious that they poſſeſs Faculties capable of everlaſting Improvement, Faculties which only bud in Time, but which, if properly cultivated, will glorioufly expand and flouriſh in immortal Vigour for ever.

Man is conſtituted of two different Natures, animal and rational. With Reſpect to the firſt, he may, with Propriety, ſay "to the Worm, thou art my Mother and my Siſter." By Virtue of the latter, he may exult in his divine Origin, and claim Kindred with the celeſtial Inhabitants of Heaven. But ſo great is the Degeneracy of Mankind, in general, that Numbers ſeem unconſcious of their Dignity, and act more inconſiſtently with the Duties of their Station than the Beaſts that periſh. They voluntarily degrade themſelves from their Rank in Creation, and inſtead of aſpiring to the ſubſtantial Happineſs of their reaſonable Nature are indulging themſelves in the meaneſt ſenſual Gratifications. The licentious Indulgence of Paſſions, given to be governed, and not to command, employs thoſe Faculties, and that Time, which ought to be employed in Acts of Goodneſs, Benevolence, and the Exerciſe of every moral, every ſocial Virtue. Every Trifle that floats before the Eye of Vanity calls off their Attention from Conſiderations of infinitely greater Importance, and that great Work which the moſt active Life can barely accompliſh is put off to the Evening of Age. Thoſe Faculties and Powers of the Mind which were given us for the nobleſt of all Purpoſes, to adore the Deity, and inveſtigate his glorious Perfections, are debaſed to the mean Employment of accumulating Wealth inſtead of Honour, and empty Fame inſtead of a juſt and virtuous Praiſe.

How ſhocking muſt the Condition of thoſe be, who have thus miſpent their Time and Talents, when the fatal Mandate arrives which will ſummon them to the Tomb, when every Thing will appear in its true Colours, when the illuſive Phantoms vaniſh, and the awakening Voice of Conſcience ſhall at once proclaim their Crimes, and their Deſtiny? At that Seaſon, what are Riches, Honours, Titles, external Pomp and Grandeur? What, indeed, but the *Ignis fatuus* of a miſtaken Fancy! which, having danced before us for a Moment, diſappears for ever, and leaves us all in the dark Horrours of a dreadful Uncertainty.

If ſuch look backward, the black Catalogue of their multiplied Tranſgreſſions, like the Roll which Ezekiel ſaw, "is written, within and without, with Lamentation, Mourning, and Wo." If they look forward, the Proſpect is gloomy: "Clouds and Darkneſs hang upon it." The Day is ended, and the Night appeareth wherein no Man can work.

Then "all that now ſparkles in the Eye of Hope, or pants in the Boſom of Deſire," will loſe its Power of pleaſing. The Certainty of thoſe ſolemn Truths will be felt, which, in the Days of Feſtivity, have been treated as idle Chimeras, or enthuſiaſtick Reveries. How far the Mercy of a gracious God may be withheld from ſuch, I will not preſume to determine; far be it from me to limit its glorious Extenſion, or to aſſign the Miniſtration of his Judgments to any of the human Race. But who, that thinks right, would preſume to riſk the Happineſs of an Eternity on ſo doubtful a Caſt? We ought to bear in Mind that Juſtice is one of the Attributes of the Deity, and that the incorrigible Offender has no Claim to divine Favour.

Were we more frequently to contemplate on the End of our Days, and the Dignity of our Calling to Glory and Virtue, it would weaken our Attachment to Things of inferiour Moment, and excite us to Circumſpection and Diligence.

To a Mind ſenſible of its Weakneſs, and deſirous of acting conſiſtently with its neceſſary Duties, this Employment can neither be unpleaſing nor unprofitable. It is the higheſt Mark of true Wiſdom ſo to number our Days, that, when they are accompliſhed, we may review them with Joy, and look forward with a holy Triumph in the Anticipation of a glorious and permanent Reward. This excellent and deſirable End can only be attained by a Courſe of Action agreeable to thoſe Duties which are required of us, the Performance of which will increaſe our preſent, while they fit us for future Felicity. The divine Being who formed us, and whom we ought diligently to ſerve, is no hard Maſter; he requires Nothing of us but what tends to increaſe our Happineſs. This is a Conſideration which ought to have due Place, with thoſe eſpecially who are Candidates for preſent Pleaſure. The beſt Method of promoting the Succeſs of their own Plan is to be governed by the Rules of Virtue, Morality, Temperance, Juſtice, and Benevolence. The Practice of theſe Duties will exclude many Evils, and preſerve us in Safety and Innocence, while they afford every Gratification that can yield true Delight to the Mind. Were all Men influenced by theſe noble Principles, how happy would be the State of human Society! The Voice of Contention and Diſcord would be no longer heard: "Righteouſneſs and Peace would kiſs each other," and the preſent State of Exiſtence would be a happy Prelude to that which is ſtill more glorious in the Realms of Immortality.

However the Sons of Vanity, and Votaries of guilty Pleaſure, may now deceive themſelves, they will, in an approaching Seaſon, be convinced of theſe ſolemn Truths. The Dream of Folly will at length be broken, and they will find Cauſe to lament their paſt inconſiderate Conduct. On a Review of the Days that are paſt, Life will appear a barren Waſte, wherein they have neglected to accumulate that ſubſtantial Treaſure which is the durable Portion of the Virtuous beyond the Grave.

But thoſe who have early applied their Hearts unto Wiſdom, and made her ſacred Precepts the Rule of Action, will approach the Confines of the Land of Spirits with a Hope that can never periſh, a Hope which is full of Immortality and eternal Life.

BOSTON, *October* 28.

CAPTAIN Scott was offered the Tea intended to be ſent here, as were ſeveral Captains of Veſſels for this Port, but they all refuſed taking it on Board. It was not thought, when he left London, that the Eaſt India Company would ſend any Tea, fearing it would meet with a Reception not at all to their Advantage in America.

A Correſpondent informs us that Letters from London ſay that the great Perſons about the Court, after *reading the Letters* which have made ſuch a mighty Buſtle, were of Opinion that they were not a ſufficient Foundation for the Reſolves, and that it was not likely the Governour would be removed.

November 1. By a Schooner, in about a Week from Halifax, we learn that his Excellency Francis Legge, Eſq; lately appointed Governour of the Province of Nova Scotia, was arrived there in the Brig Adamant, Captain Crowne. We alſo hear that his Excellency Lord William Campbell, the former Governour, and his Family, were ſoon to embark for England, in the ſame Veſſel.

It is poſitively aſſerted, ſaid to be from good Authority, that Barracks would be built, or the Foundation for Barracks laid, on Fort Hill, before July next.

By a Veſſel juſt arrived from New Providence, we learn that two Companies of the 14th Regiment had arrived there from St. Auguſtine, and that they all died in the Courſe of a Week, except two.

We hear that, in Anſwer to a Petition from our Aſſembly, reſpecting the Appointment of Judges, &c. his Majeſty declared his Intention of ſupporting the *ſupreme Authority* and *Right* of the Britiſh Parliament to make Laws binding on the Colonies, and expreſſed his great Diſpleaſure that Principles repugnant to this Right ſhould be held forth in the Petition.

NEW YORK, *November* 28.

ON Friday laſt his Majeſty's Royal Regiment of Welſh Fuſileers, under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Barnard, and the Royal Regiment of Artillery, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Cleavland, were reviewed by his Excellency Major General Haldimand, commanding in chief his Majeſty's Forces in North America. There were preſent his Excellency the Governour and his Lady, together with all the principal Inhabitants of this City and its Vicinities, who returned full of the moſt perfect Satisfaction afforded by the brilliant Appearance, and animated Manœuvres, of theſe two gallant and finely appointed Battalions.

Extract of a Letter from St. George's *Key*, Honduras *Bay*, *Auguſt* 29.

"The Day before yeſterday arrived at this Key the Garland Man of War, in Conſequence of a Petition from the Inhabitants of this Place to Admiral Rodney in Jamaica; ſhe is to ſtay here until there is an End to the Rebellion. Great Matters were expected from the laſt Party we had out in Search of the Inſurgents, but to the great Grief of every Body here they have returned unſucceſsful, not being lucky enough to fall in with them. It is uncertain whether they have gone back towards the Spaniards, or whether they have encamped ſome Where nigh hand. Until the Truth of this is known, we apprehend ourſelves almoſt in as much Danger as ever, and Heaven only knows when there will be an End to it.

"The Garland, in her Way hither, called at Port Omboa, at which Place ſhe ſpoke a Regiſter Ship bound for Old Spain, who gave the following melancholy Account, viz. that on the 29th of July laſt the City of Guatimala was ſunk by an Earthquake, and upwards of 30,000 Souls periſhed. It was but a few Days before the Garland ſpoke the Ship that ſhe received the Expreſs to carry home. As this is the *firſt* Veſſel for America ſince we received the News, we beg you will have it inſerted in your Newſpapers."

By Letters of good Authority from England, we are informed that the 14th Regiment, now at St. Auguſtine, the 16th at Penſacola, and the 52d at Quebec, will be relieved next Summer; and that the 4th or King's own, and the 5th Regiments, are ordered out for that Purpoſe, but we cannot yet learn what other Corps is to be added to them to complete the Relief. And we are likewiſe informed, that for the future the Garriſons in the Weſt Indies will be relieved by Regiments doing Duty in North America, which will be always ſupplied by freſh Battalions from Great Britain and Ireland.

Next Week his Excellency the General will ſet out for Philadelphia, to review the Royal Regiment of Ireland, commanded by Major Hamilton; and on his Return his Excellency will pay the ſame Compliment to the 47th Regiment, under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Neſbit, at Perth Amboy.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 8.

WE bear from London, by Way of Boſton, that notwithſtanding the pompous and authoritative Stile in which the ſeveral Accounts of the Inſurrection of the Chilians is contradicted, in the Gazetteer of Auguſt 20th, yet we have full as good Authority to ſay that the native Chilians have actually taken Arms againſt their Tyrant Maſters, the Spaniards, whom they in ſeveral Battles defeated, and at length regained Poſſeſſion of Baldivia, in the Manner related in almoſt all the publick Prints. The Spaniſh Miniſter, it is ſaid, is inſtructed to conceal as much of theſe Particulars from the Engliſh as poſſible, and accordingly, with Spaniſh Effrontery, he hath ventured to repreſent the whole as a Fiction; but the Don ſhould be told, that though he can ſettle Matters with the Hague Gazette, yet the publick Prints of this Country are not ſo corrupt as to screen from the Eyes of the People a Tranſaction of ſuch Importance as the Oppoſition of a brave Nation to Spaniſh Tyranny, Catholick Perfidy, and Moſt Chriſtian Cruelty, even if Spaniſh Gold ſhould be offered them to ſuppreſs the Facts.

Extract of a Letter from Edenton, North Carolina, *September* 6.

"On the first of this Instant we had the most violent Gale of Wind that has been known for a long Time. There were 15 Sail of Vessels at Ocracock Bar, mostly outward bound; all of which, except one, were drove on Shore or lost. Indeed, the greatest Part of them is entirely lost; and a Number of Persons, some say near fifty, perished. The hardest of the Gale was about North."

We hear that the General Assembly of the Lower Counties have appointed a Committee of the House to correspond with the Committees of the other Houses of Representatives on the Continent, to inquire into the Nature, &c. of the new Court opened at Rhode Island, for inquiring into the Affair of the Gaspee Schooner, and to have a particular Attention to all such Acts of the British Parliament as may in any Wise affect America.

The Prince of Wales, Captain Morrison, is arrived at Baltimore from Londonderry, with about 200 Passengers, which makes no less than 3500 that have left that Port only within one Year.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 25.

THE following Advertisement was published in Boston the 4th Instant, by Order of the Selectmen: "The Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, qualified as the Law directs, are hereby notified to meet at Faneuil Hall on Friday the 5th Instant, at ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to consider the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants, setting forth that they are justly alarmed at the Report that the East Company in London are about shipping a Cargo or Cargoes of Tea into this and the other Colonies, and that they esteem it a political Plan of the British Administration, whereby they have Reason to fear not only that the Trade upon which they depend for their Subsistence is threatened to be totally destroyed, but, what is much more than any Thing in Life to be dreaded, the Tribute laid upon the Importation of that Article will be fixed and established, and our Liberties, for which we have long struggled, will be lost to them and their Posterity; and therefore praying that a Meeting of the Freeholders, and other Inhabitants, may be immediately called, that so the Sense of the Matter may be taken, and such Steps be pursued as to their Safety and Wellbeing shall appertain."

The Mary, Captain Mitchelson, from Whitehaven, is arrived in James River.

Marriages.] Mr. HERBERT CLAIBORNE, of Suffex, to Miss MOLLY KUPPIN, of King William.

To the PRINTER.

SIR,

THE enclosed Publication, which fell lately into my Hands, I wish to see published on Account of its Singularity. Possibly, it may not be entertaining to a Number of your Readers; and to some, perhaps, it will be edifying. It circulated in BEDFORD previous to an Association entered into by Part of the Inhabitants of that County, *Not to pay their Debts unless they can get such Prices for their Commodities as they have affixed.*

THE Behaviour of the trading Part of Virginia, and the lamentable State of the poor Inhabitants (Planters) induced me to endeavour to describe the present State and Condition of this almost ruined Country, and to form some Plans and Rules to avoid the destructive total Combination of the Merchants against the People and Interest of this Colony; and in Order that none may be deceived, or mistaken, I shall begin at the Root of our Misfortunes, which is our Pride, our Luxury, and Idleness. Want of Industry compels us to buy many Linens and Woollens which we might make in our own Families, and with the Help of our Neighbours; and our Pride and Luxury compel us to seek after and desire many Articles which we do not really stand in Need of, and which we cannot afford. The Scotch Nation, about fifty Years ago, being informed of this valuable Country, and of the weak and blind Side of its Inhabitants, chuse, some of them, to quit their Packs, and leave their poor Fare, and barren Country, and make an Experiment in the Tobacco Trade; which, by a little Industry, and the mechanick Turn of Mind and the artful Craftiness and Cunning natural to that Nation, they soon not only raised great Effects for themselves, but found a Plan to enrich their Country, and raise Glasgow, from being a poor, small, petty Port, to one of the richest Towns and trading Ports in his Majesty's Dominions, and all by Fawning, Flattery, and outwitting the indolent and thoughtless Planters. But not to take up Time in searching into what has been, let us view Things as they stand at present. Suppose a Person, or a Company, sends a Cargo of 1000*l.* consigned to a Friend and Factor in Virginia. With it they, some of them, too often send not Tradesmens Notes, but an Invoice on which they add from 20 to 25 per Cent. according to the Success and Industry used in buying said Cargo, and the Usefulness and Sortableness thereof. This, at ten per Cent. makes the Stock delivered here 2200*l.* which arrives in March for a Spring Cargo. About three Fourths of it is taxed at 87½. The rest is rated as they can catch Advantages on the Ignorant and Needy, and on this they commonly advance about 150 per Cent.

Suppose first Outlet		£. 1000
¾ of it is £. 825. viz. the Advance is	£. 721 - 17 - 6	
¼ of £. 1100 is £. 275. 150 per Cent on it is	£. 412 - 10 - 0	
This is the Profits in Virginia,	£. 1134 - 7 - 6	
And the Advance at home is	£. 100 - 0 - 0	
	£. 1234 - 7 - 6	
And another of the same in September is	£. 1234 - 7 - 6	
So this Sum	£. 2468 - 15 - 0	is gained

in two Cargoes of £. 1000 each, except bad Debts. And when this is exchanged in Tobacco, they all agree to give such a Price for it that they may gain 25 per Cent. by it; that is, to fetch as many Pounds Sterling as it cost Currency, and more, if possible, which amounts to 617*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* And this makes their Profits on 1000*l.* Sterling to be 3085*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* exclusive of bad Debts and Expenses, which is a great Drawback and will greatly lessen the Profits. But this Drawback is chiefly owing to themselves, for their Pride, Wantonness, Extravagance, and sumptuous Way of Living; fulfilling the old Saying, *Set a proud Beggar on Horseback and he'll soon ride to Old Nick.* And the bad Debts are much owing to their unwarrantable Views and Practices, of selling to the Needy, Ignorant, and Careless, on the most unreasonable Terms, with Hopes of immense Gains by these and other Measures and Advantages that the Trade do take of the poor Planters. Is it not evident that we are not far from being enslaved, under the Face of Friends, and that by those who are charged with selling their King for a Sum that amounted to only a Groat a Man? And what better Treatment can we Strangers expect from them? Therefore, it is our Duty to be strictly and constantly on our Guard, and combine to extricate ourselves and our Country before it is too late. And, in Order thereto, let us directly set a Price on our Tobacco, and bind ourselves by the most solemn Ties not to Part with it for less than the Price established by us Planters, in every County. And let this Price be settled yearly, or monthly, as the Matter shall require. And let us associate and choose two or more Persons in every County to regulate and conduct our Affairs, and by advertising, or otherways, inform us how to behave. And let us contribute our utmost to raise a Stock of Tobacco, or Money, in every County, to be by our said Agents sent to the most independent and promising Port for our Interest; and that such Agents do not only carefully ship our Tobacco, but also order such Goods as shall by each Contributor be required, not exceeding about four Fifths of the Value or Produce thereof.

I suppose the Merchants will run down this Calculation, if they do make it appear to be wrong. Then how is it that a Storekeeper shall in seven Years make an Estate in Virginia, and be about twenty Years raising the same Sum at home; and that a Storekeeper, by his Poverty, is obliged to pay Interest for a Stock to begin with, which is the Case with many Scotch Traders that are settled here!

SIR,

HEARING of your aiming at something of this Kind, made me throw these Thoughts before you. If they are serviceable, I am glad of it. If you should find out who I am, don't discover me; for I can do more Good to the Cause undiscovered than known. Therefore copy this, and then burn it; but examine whether my Regulations and Calculations are right, though I think you'll find Nothing omitted but Freight, &c. which doth not amount to above ten per Cent. which, added to the 25 per Cent. Difference of Money, makes about 35 per Cent. which deducted from 87½ makes 52½ per Cent. on each Cargo. And as they have two Cargoes yearly, they will gain 105 per Cent. for every Year they trade here; and if they will fool away a great Part of it in fine Clothes, fine Buildings, fine Horses, fine Whores, and in every Kind of Luxury and Wantonness, why should the Planters be squeezed to make it good, or the Trade of the Country be blamed for their Pride and Misconduct? Let us BEDFORDMEN lead the Van to Liberty and Renown, and turn the Channel from centring in Glasgow (richly overflowing all Scotland, and aggrandizing all Scotchmen) to centre in Virginia; which may be done very easily, by dealing with none that don't choose to reside here and spend their Riches here, instead of in Glasgow. And let us directly raise at least fifty Hogsheads, and as much more as possible; and let the Agent for Bedford ship them to the best Port, and order Goods near the Value to be shipped in Return. And my Opinion is, that we do choose Richard Stith, and Guy Smith, to be Agents for the first Year; and that they, or whom the People choose for their Agents, do give Notice, by Way of Advertisement, or otherways, that they shall find Needful to enable the said Agents to exert themselves for their Country. But our whole Country have imbibed Scotch Principles (for Craft and Extortion reigns in all alike) or else how can the Smith, the Tailor, the Canoe Men, &c. demand such unreasonable Prices for their Labour! So if you are for banishing Fraud and Extortion, and all that is hurtful to our Country, don't indulge them even in ourselves, and in all Ranks and Degrees. And if we do so, we must choose such Burgesses as will join us and help us. Consider, our Fee Bill was made and settled at ten Shillings the Hundred for Tobacco, and by the Rise of that Commodity every Officer is made rich, and above his Calling. Consider, every Court ought to choose their own Clerk, and not the Secretary, who has no Right to appoint Clerks. If the Court would act right, they might hire a Person to act as Clerk for less than 100*l.* a Year; and all above that Sum could build Bridges and lessen the Levies, which will be better than making all Clerks great Men, for such small Service. Consider, the Prison and Workhouse, and a Tavern, ought to be in the County's Hands; and all Profits from them would also ease the Levies. Since we are for Amendments, let us do it thoroughly, and leave no Stone unturned to destroy all Extortion, all Kind of Pride and Idleness, and all Appearance of Wantonness, Luxury, and every Kind of Vice. Wishing you Success, I am yours to serve the Publick.

To Mr. GUY SMITH, BEDFORD. TILLIAS.

COSMOPOLI, *November* 22, 1773.

Mr. PURDIE,

I AM very sorry to see that some wrong headed and restless People at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia, seem to be endeavouring unseasonably to revive the Disputes which were so happily put to Sleep after the Mother Country had generously given up the Contest in the Matter of the Stamp Act. I thought the Merchants, by this Time, had found out that *Stagnation* is not *Circulation*; and that many Self-interested Knaves, under the Mask of Patriotism, had, at Boston, pretended to send back or store their Goods, but sent or stored the Packages only, either Half empty or quite so, and sold the Goods imported in them (Nails particularly) at 500 to 1000 per Cent. Advance, when Nobody had any left but themselves. I am sorry to see the American built Ships have refused to take in Tea from the East India Company, lest, if the English find that they can export their Product or Merchandise only in English built Bottoms to America, they should take it into their Heads to reinforce the Act of Navigation, and import no American Produce, or at least not grant any Bounties on American Products imported in Ships of our building, or else lay a Tax. But I forbear, lest I should teach English Ministers (which Nobody in England will do without either Honour or Profit) how to impose Taxes. I cannot conceive that we have any Thing to do with the Bargain the East India Company may make with the Treasury about the Debentures or Drawbacks on Tea, so as we can but get it here cheaper than we can smuggle it from St. Eustatia; nay may even make it an Article of Trade and send it to all our Sugar Islands, and perhaps to the French, Dutch, and Spaniards themselves. The People at Mobille or Pensacola may transmit it to Mexico perhaps, and the Jamaica Men to Peru. However, we shall certainly supply ourselves by this Means much cheaper than ever we did, viz. so as to buy that Tea for ten Shillings a Pound at most which now costs us a Pistole, if we cannot proceed farther according to the above mentioned Scheme of,

Sir, your most humble Servant,
LANDON HONDURAS.

P. S. I perfectly agree with so much of the first of the Resolves of the Inhabitants of Philadelphia, assembled in the Statehouse there, "That the Disposal of their own Property is the inherent Right of Freemen;" but by what Right then did a Set of lawless Vagabonds (*Anglici*, a Mob) take away Peoples Goods from them against their Wills, and put them in Stores, when such Goods were not prohibited to be imported by any Act of Parliament, or any Act of any Assembly upon the Continent? Or, unless from Envy of their having the Profit, why should any Merchants, or others, prohibit Messt. Wharton and Company from importing or exporting Tea, as well as any other Goods? Are not they Freemen as well as the others?

Advertisements.

PETERSBURG, *November* 15, 1773.

THE Death of Mr. RICHARD BOOKER occasioning a Discontinuance of the Business carried on by him at this Place, under the Firm of *Richard Booker & Co.* this is to request those who have Dealings with the said Concern to pay off their respective Balances immediately, to Mr. *Thomas Short*, who is properly authorised to receive and settle the same, as also to treat with any Person inclining to purchase the Goods on Hand, which consist of a large Assortment suitable for the Season. The surviving PARTNERS.

CHESTERFIELD, *November* 19, 1773.

WHEREAS the PARTNERSHIP of WRIGHT, FOWLER, and Company, was dissolved the 1st of *October* last, it is requested of all Persons indebted to the said Concern immediately to discharge their Balances, as the Situation of the Concern will admit of no Indulgence; and those who are unable are desired to settle and grant Bond, with Security, if required.

The GOODS on Hand will be SOLD on *Thursday* the 16th of *December* next, altogether or in Parcels, as may best suit the Purchasers. The Credit will be agreed on at the Day of Sale. Bonds with Security will be required. WILLIAM FOWLER.

ALL Persons indebted to JOHN and JAMES TAYLOR are desired to settle their Accounts this Meeting, as I do not intend to come to *Williamsburg* again on that Account. Those who fail may depend on being sued, without Distinction.

(1) JAMES TAYLOR.

A YOUNG MAN of good Character, who can take Care of Horses, and will travel with a single Person, may hear of good Encouragement by applying to Mr. *Cuthbert Hubbard*, near the College, in *Williamsburg*. If he can play upon the FRENCH HORN, it will be the more agreeable. (2‖)

YORK TOWN, *November* 24, 1773.

THERE is in the Subscriber's Possession a very valuable NEGRO MAN between twenty and thirty Years of Age, for Sale, who is a good Plantation Negro, and can saw at the Whipsaw very well. Any Person inclining to purchase such a Slave may know the Terms by applying to

(2) SEYMOUR POWELL.

MANCHESTER, *November* 20, 1773.

I HAVE for SALE, on reasonable Terms, several Bales of Rugs, Duffils, Duffil and Bed Blankets, &c. also some Bales of Osnabrugs and Rolls, and a Parcel of well assorted Saddlery.

JAMES LYLE.

LOST in *Williamsburg*, the 24th Instant, a small BUNDLE containing Bonds and Accounts payable to the Executors of *Francis Jerdone*, deceased, and *George Pottie*. FORTY SHILLINGS Reward will be given to any Person who delivers it to the Printer. (‖1)

PETERSBURG, *November* 23, 1773.

THE Subscriber RETAILS GOODS at fifty per Cent. for ready Cash, Tobacco, or Wheat. WILLIAM HARRISON.

THE BONDS for Negroes sold of the Estate of *Roger Dixon*, deceased, become due the 15th of *December*, when we shall attend at the House of *Benjamin Johnson*, in *Fredericksburg*, to receive the Money. Our great Distance from the Purchasers will make it necessary to put such Bonds in Suit as are not punctually paid.

(2) ROBERT PLEASANTS, THOMAS BATES, } Attornies for the Mortgagee.

To be SOLD, *on* Tuesday *the* 4*th of* January *next, if fair, otherwise next fair Day, at* Samuel Watson's *Plantation, in* Amherst *County, about five Miles from* Penn's *Ordinary*,

EIGHTY choice SLAVES, consisting of Men, Women, and Children, most of whom are *Virginia* born, a large Quantity of CORN and FODDER, sixty or seventy Head of CATTLE, some PLOW HORSES, MARES and COLTS, and many PLANTATION UTENSILS. Credit will be allowed until the first Day of *April* 1775; but if Payment is not made then, the Bonds to carry five per Cent. Interest from the Day of Sale. Bond and approved Security to be given to Messt. *William Cabell, James Allen, John Hawkins*, and *William Womack*, who are empowered to conduct the Sale. Six per Cent. Interest will be allowed for ready Money, and also for some Merchants Notes, after they have accepted Orders drawn on them.——At the same Time and Place will be rented, if not before sold, several valuable Plantations, in fine Order for Cropping, sufficient to work thirty Hands, with all necessary Houses.

(6) CARTER BRAXTON.

N. B. Some of the SLAVES will be sold for ready Money.

For SALE,

ABOUT twelve Thousand Acres of exceeding rich TOBACCO LAND, in *Amherst* County, whereon are several Plantations and Improvements sufficient to work forty or fifty Hands. There is on the said Land for Sale a very valuable GRIST MILL, lately built, with a Stone Dam and a Pair of good *Cologne* Millstones, which Mill has for two Years past got upwards of 100 Barrels of Toll Corn, and is situated on a never failing Stream. The Land will be shown by *William Womack*, who lives at one of the Plantations, and the Prices of the Land made known by him. One or two Years Credit will be allowed, Interest being paid for the second Year, and also for the first, if the Money is not paid agreeable to Contract. The Land is to be laid off and surveyed by Colonel *William Cabell*, at the Expense of the Purchaser. Deeds will be made upon Bond and approved Security being given, either to Colonel *William Cabell*, or the Subscriber. Six per Cent. Discount will be allowed for ready Money, or good Merchants Notes. If any Person will choose to exchange Lands in the lower Part of the Country, on or near some navigable River, that are good, it is more than probable we should agree.

(tf) CARTER BRAXTON.

To be SOLD *at* Fredericksburg, *on* Thursday *the* 16*th of* December,

A TRACT of LAND containing about 2000 Acres, which lies near *Lewes* Bridge, *Spotsylvania*, not far from the aforesaid Town, formerly the Property of Mr. *Benjamin Grymes*, and mortgaged by him to the late Colonel *Peter Randolph*, whose Executors have empowered the Subscriber to sell it. The Land is laid off in three Lots, and will be sold separate, or altogether, as most convenient. The Terms will be made known at the Day of Sale. Any Person inclined to purchase privately may do it by applying to the Subscriber, who will show the Land to any Person, and therefore thinks a Description unnecessary.

The Subscriber has also for SALE on the same Day, privately or publickly, altogether or in Lots, about 900 Acres of LAND whereon *Concord* Forge stood. The Stream is equal to any in *Virginia*, and the Place is well situated for a Merchant Mill.

ANTHONY THORNTON, Junior.

To be SOLD, *or* RENTED, *to the highest Bidder, on* Tuesday *the* 7*th of* December, *upon the Premises, and entered on immediately*,

A TRACT of good Tobacco and Grain LAND in *Louisa*, near Mr. *John Marshall's* Store, containing 275 Acres. There is upon it a good Dwellinghouse, and other necessary Buildings, a Garden, Orchards, &c. The Plantation is in fine Order for Cropping, and has a pretty Crop of Wheat growing upon it.

At the same Time will be SOLD the Stocks of all Kinds, together with the Crops of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utensils. Two Years Credit will be allowed, the Purchaser giving Bond and Security, with Interest from the Date if not punctually paid. A Discount of ten per Cent. will be allowed for ready Money. The Land may be seen by applying to Mr. *David Anderson*, or Mr. *Frederick Harris*, near the Premises.

MATTHEW ANDERSON, Junior.

To be SOLD *upon the Premises, on* Tuesday *the* 14*th of* December, *if fair, otherwise the next fair Day*,

A TRACT of LAND in *Louisa*, containing, by Estimation, 1200 Acres more or less, adjoining the Lands of Messt. *John Fox, James Dabney*, and *John Anderson*. It is convenient to Church, Mill, and Courthouse. The Soil is exceeding good for Wheat, Corn, or Tobacco, and there is a Quantity cleared sufficient to work eight or ten Hands, now in good Order for Cropping. Any Person, inclined to purchase, may see the Land by applying to Mr. *James Dabney*, before the Day of Sale. Also a large Stock of Cattle and Hogs, and a Crop of Corn and Fodder, for which twelve Months Credit will be given. A long Credit will be allowed for the Land, and agreed upon at the Day of Sale, the Purchaser giving Bond and good Security to

REBECCA CHAMBERLAYNE.

N. B. I would treat with any Person for the Land privately, before the Day of Sale.

CHARLES CITY, *November* 23, 1773.

TO be SOLD, on *Tuesday* the 11th of *January* next, at the *Rocky Ridge*, fifty fine *Virginia* born NEGROES, for whom twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond with good Security. All Bonds not paid in fourteen Days after they become due to carry Interest from the Date.

BENJAMIN HARRISON.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidders, on* Monday *the* 13*th of* December, *if fair, otherwise next fair Day, at the late Plantation of Captain* Merryman Payne, *deceased, in* Lancaster *County*,

SEVEN likely *Virginia* born NEGROES, Men and Women, about 150 Barrels of CORN, a Yoke of OXEN, and sundry other Articles. Credit will be allowed until the 1st of *May* next, the Purchasers giving Bond with approved Security to

(‖) MERRYMAN PAYNE, HENRY TOWLES, } Executors.

To be SOLD *at* Norfolk, *and entered on immediately (by Virtue of a Power of Attorney from* Nathaniel Boush *to the Subscriber) on* Thursday *the* 16*th of* December, *being Court Day*,

A TRACT of LAND containing by Estimation 375 Acres, adjoining *Mason's* Creek and *Sewell's Point*, convenient to Church and a Water Mill now erecting. The Terms will be made known at the Day of Sale. ARTHUR BOUSH.

To be SOLD *at the Plantation of* Richard Allen, *Senior, deceased, in* New Kent, *on* Monday *the* 13*th of* December,

THE STOCKS of CATTLE, SHEEP, HOGS, and HORSES, HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, and the CROP of CORN and FODDER. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, on giving Bond and Security to

(2‖) RICHMOND ALLEN, Executor.

To be SOLD *on* Tuesday *the 21st of* December, *at Mr.* Edward Barnett's,

BETWEEN 7 and 800 Acres of LAND in *Goochland*, about twenty Miles from *Richmond* Town, equal in Quality to any in the Neighbourhood, and is well adapted for Tobacco, Wheat, or Corn. The Terms are, one Third payable in *April* twelve Months, another Third *April* two Years, and the Remainder *April* three Years; the Purchaser giving Bond and Security, to carry Interest from the Date, if not punctually paid. Any Person inclinable to purchase may be shown the Land at any Time before the Sale, by applying to Mr. *Edward Barnett*.

THOMAS TOWLES.
(2‖) STOCKLEY TOWLES.

To be SOLD, SEPARATELY *or* TOGETHER,

TWO TRACTS of LAND. One lies in *Albemarle* County, on *Hardware* River, about five Miles from the great River, containing 370 Acres, 100 of which are the best Kind of low Grounds, and situated so as always to have the best Range for Stock of any Land between the Capes and Little Mountains.

The other Tract lies in *Goochland* County, on *Lickinghole* Creek, near the *Three Notched* Road, and contains 700 Acres. The high Land is equal to any in these Parts, fine for Tobacco and Wheat, or any Kind of Grain or Meadow. About 200 Acres are cleared, now under good Fences, laid off in three Fields, and in fine Ordee to work about ten Hands to great Advantage. The Improvements are a good Dwelling-house, Kitchen, Smokehouse, a Dairy, four good Tobacco Houses, with Negro Quarters, and other convenient Buildings, also a fine Apple and Peach Orchard. The Place is pleasantly situated, has fine Water, is as healthy as any Part of the Colony, and is convenient to Church or *Providence* Meetinghouse, and several Mills, besides one on the Land turned by a Spring Branch to grind for three or four Families the whole Year, and is not in the least unhealthy, as the Water may be ground off every Day. Credit will be given for Part of both Tracts. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms by applying to Mr. *William Mitchell*, Merchant in *Richmond*, or to the Subscriber, who will show the Land. (tf) WILLIAM PRYOR.

GOOCHLAND, *November* 3, 1773.

THE Subscriber has for SALE (the Money to be paid on the 25th of *April*) about 1500 Acres of vety good LAND, in *Middlesex*, convenient to the Church and Mill, and the Rivers *Rappahannock* and *Pianketank*, both of which abound with the finest Kinds of Fish and Oysters. It will be laid off in such Lots as may best suit the Purchasers.

WILLIAM CHURCHILL.

STOLEN from the Subscriber's Plantation near *Newcastle*, *Hanover* County, the 14th Instant (*November*) a likely young BLACK MARE intermixed with gray Hairs, has gray Ears, her Forehead is rather round, with a Star in it, about four Feet ten Inches high, branded on the near Buttock with three Dots, trots rough, not dockt, has had her Tail lately cut, and has a white Spot on the Side of her Belly. Whoever brings the said Mare to me shall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward, and on Conviction of the Thief FORTY SHILLINGS.

JAMES BROWN.

AMHERST, *November* 23, 1773.

RUN away from the Subscriber, about the Middle of *July*, a *Virginia* born likely Negro Fellow named BURTON, about 23 Years old, has a down Look, near five Feet ten Inches high, rather of a yellowish Complexion, and has a large Scar in his Breast, which was made, I believe, by a Burn. He carried off with him the usual Dress of a working Negro, besides a Pair of short Drill Breeches, a Pair of blue Shag Ditto, a blue striped Damask small Jacket, and a little Felt Hat bound with black Ferret. I purchased him of Mr. *George Nasworthy*, of *Isle of Wight*, near the *Ragged Islands*, and expect he has made that Way, if not about *Norfolk*, or in the Neighbourhood of Captain *Williamson*, on *Blackwater*. One of the two Fellows, who broke out of *James City* Jail the 8th of *October*, and said he belonged to me, I am very sure was mine, though he had changed his Name, from the Description Colonel *Philip Johnson* gave me, who committed him. Whoever secures said Negro in any Jail in *Virginia*, so that I get him again, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, besides what the Law allows; or if delivered to me, in *Amherst*, FIVE POUNDS.

(‖) WILLIAM PENN.

SUFFOLK, *November* 22, 1773.

RUN away from the Subscriber, on *Saturday* the 6th Instant, a likely *Virginia* born Negro Man Slave named CATO, about twenty Years old, about six Feet high, slim made, and has one of his Ears bit by Fighting. I imagine he has got some false Indenture, or a Pass, and that he will endeavour to get into *North Carolina* and pass as a free Man; as he once attempted before, but was taken up in *Halifax* County, in that Province. Whoever takes up the said Negro, and delivers him to me, shall have 5l. Reward, and reasonable Charges paid, according to the Distance he is brought.

(‖) WILLIAM DIXOON.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in the upper End of *King William*, about the 1st of *September*, two new Negro Men, of the *Ibo* Country, named CHARLES and FRANK, who have been in the Province about twelve Months, and it is supposed cannot tell their Master's Name. *Charles* is a large Fellow, with his Country Marks in his Face, and has lost or broke off one or two of his fore Teeth, which he says was done by a Cow in his Country. *Frank* is a smaller Fellow, well set, and has sharp Teeth. They carried with them a *Dutch* Blanket, had each a coarse Hat, and other usual Summer Clothes. Whoever delivers both or either of them to me, or secures them and gives me Notice thereof, shall be well rewarded for their Trouble, besides what the Law allows.

JOSEPH HILLYARD.

COMMITTED to *Isle* of *Wight* Jail, an outlandish Negro Fellow named WILL, about six Feet high, has two Jackets, one of a blue Colour, the other made of Cotton, and neither Shirt or Breeches. He speaks *English* badly, and either cannot or will not tell his Master's Name, but sometimes says he belongs to Mr. *Mitchell*. The Owner is desired to prove his Property, pay Charges, and take him away.

JOHN TAYLOR, Jailer.

COMMITTED to *Westmoreland* Jail, the 3d Instant (*November*) a SERVANT MAN about five Feet nine Inches high, near 25 Years old, and says he lives in *South Carolina*; he had on, when taken up, an old brown Jeans Coat, blue Shag Jacket, brown Sheeting Shirt, a Yarn Cap, brown knit Breeches, a Pair of brown Trousers, and an old Pair of Shoes. His Owner is desired to pay Charges, and take him away.

RICHARD BARNETT, Jailer.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, on *Fishpond* Creek, a WHITE HORSE about four Feet four Inches high, has black Spots on his Breast as if he had been galled, and one on his near Hamstring, seems to have been cut with a Crupper, paces, trots, and gallops, appears to be old, and is branded on the near Buttock W with a C at the Top. Posted, and appraised to 5l. (‖) JOHN LEE.

TAKEN up, in *Prince William*, a WHITE GELDING about twelve Hands high, has no Mark to be perceived, except a Crop on the left Ear, Part of a roached Mane, a Switch Tail, trots and gallops, and appears to be between nine and ten Years old.

(‖) JAMES ANDERSON.

TAKEN up, in *Amherst*, a RED HEIFER marked with a Swallow Fork in the right Ear, and a Slit in the left Ear. Posted, and appraised to one Pound. (‖) HUGH ROSE.

TAKEN up, in *Lunenburg*, a young SORREL MARE with a Star in her Forehead, but neither dockt nor branded. The Owner may have her upon applying to (‖) BENJAMIN CLARK.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, on the Branches of *Fishpond* Creek, a BLACK HORSE about four Feet seven or eight Inches high, appears to be old, is shod before, his Mane hangs on both Sides, is gray under the Foretop, has some Saddle Spots, is marked with Geers as if done in a Waggon, paces some, but trots and gallops in general, has the Appearance of a Brand resembling WH, and a Bell on marked . . . . and a round Buckle to the Collar. Posted, and appraised to 3l.

(‖) NEHEMIAH EVATT.

THURSDAY, *December* 4, 1766.

ORDERED, that the Clerks of the several County Courts in this Colony do transmit to the Clerk of this House, in the first Part of every Meeting of the General Assembly, a List of the Tithables in their Counties, containing the Names of such Tithables; and that they transmit also, at the same Time, a List of the publick Charges of their respective Counties.

Ordered, that the Clerk of this House do cause the same to be published in the Virginia *Gazette.*

By the House of Burgesses.

(4) GEORGE WYTHE, C. H. B.

Just ARRIVED *from* London, *in the Ship* Bland, *Captain* Danby,

AN Assortment of DRUGS and MEDICINES, to be SOLD by the Subscriber, by Wholesale and Retail, at a moderate Advance, for ready Money. ALEXANDER GORDON.

Most of the Patent Medicines, such as *Norris*'s Drops, *Keyser*'s Pills, *&c. &c.*

PETERSBURG, *November* 15, 1773.

FOR CHARTER, the SHIP *Canadian*, Captain *Abbott*, Burthen about 400 Hogsheads, or 10,000 Bushels. For Terms apply to

JOHN TABB.

THE *Royal Exchange*, *Thomas Woodford* Master, lying at *Bermuda Hundred*, will take in Tobacco, on Liberty of Consignment to *London*, at eight Pounds Sterling a Tun. Orders will be received by Mr. *Patrick Coutts*, at *Richmond*, or on Board the said Ship. Great Part of her Cargo is already engaged.

T. WOODFORD.

A YOUNG GENTLEMAN, who has lately taken his Batchelor's Degree at *Nassau Hall* College, in *New Jersey*, would be glad of Employment as a PRIVATE or PUBLICK TUTOR, and will wait on any Gentleman, on Notice being given by Letter directed to Mr. *William Carr*, Postmaster at *Dumfries*, if the Terms proposed are approved.

BERKELEY, *November* 15, 1773.

A good COOPER,

who can be well recommended, will meet with Encouragement by applying to

BENJAMIN HARRISON, Junior.

To be SOLD *upon the Premises, on* Friday *the* 3d *of* December, *to the highest Bidder, by Virtue of a Decree of* Pittsylvania *Court*,

THE LAND and PLANTATION whereon Colonel *Archibald Gordon* formerly lived, in the lower End of said County, containing 585 Acres more or less, esteemed one of the best Plantations in that Part of the County, has valuable Improvements, and an exceeding fine Range. One Hundred and thirty five Pounds of the Purchase Money to be paid on the Day of Sale, and the Time of Credit for the Balance to be then agreed upon. Any Person, inclined to view the Land, may apply to Mr. *Thomas Meredith*, living near the Land.

HALIFAX, *November* 1, 1773. JOHN SMITH.

To be SOLD *at* Cumberland *Town, on* Monday *the 29th Instant* (November)

ALL the HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE of *James Underwood*, deceased.

And on *Tuesday* the 14th of *December*, at *Landy Richardson*'s, in *Louisa*, will be SOLD between thirty and forty Head of fine CATTLE, belonging to the said Estate, at six Months Credit.

Also, on *Saturday* the 18th of *December*, will be SOLD at *Thomas Underwood*'s, in *Goochland*, pursuant to the last Will and Testament of the said *James Underwood*, deceased, a TRACT of LAND adjoining the said *Thomas Underwood*, and contains 200 Acres more or less, at twelve Months Credit.

The Purchasers to give Bond and Security to the Executors.

RICHARD ADAMS.
GEORGE PARKE.

N. B. There will also be SOLD at *Cumberland* Town, the 29th Instant (*November*) a forty Hogshead FLAT, and one of 25 Hogsheads, HORSES, CATTLE, HOGS, and sundry other Articles belonging to *Adams* and *Underwood*, at six Months Credit, on giving Bond and Security to R. A. Surviving Partner.

To be SOLD *on* Tuesday *the* 14*th of* December, *if fair, otherwise next fair Day, at the late Dwelling-house of Colonel* William Macon, *in* New Kent,

A VERY valuable Stock of CATTLE, SHEEP, HOGS, and HORSES, all the Crop of CORN and FODDER, some HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, with several other Articles. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond and Security, to carry Interest from the Date, if not punctually paid.

(2‖) WILLIAM MACON, HENRY MACON, } Executors.

To be SOLD *on* Thursday *the* 9*th of* December, *at* Burwell's *Ferry, if fair, otherwise next fair Day*,

ALL the personal Estate of Mr. *Samuel Coke*, deceased, consisting of HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, HORSES, a SEINE very little worn, CARPENTERS TOOLS, and sundry other Things. Credit will be allowed for all Sums above forty Shillings until the first of *October* next, the Purchasers giving Bond and Security to

JUDITH COKE, Administratrix.

N. B. Any Person inclining to rent a GRIST MILL convenient to *Williamsburg*, known by the Name of *Coke*'s Mill, may know the Terms at the above Sale, or of Mr. *John Brown* in *Williamsburg*.

To be SOLD *on* Wednesday *the* 22*d of* December, *at the House of Mrs.* Lucy Dixon, *in* Frederickfburg,

A TRACT of LAND in *Culpeper* County, about six Miles above *Germanna*, known by the Name of *Jones*'s, containing about 400 Acres, upon which is a Dwelling-House and sundry other Buildings lately built. Likewise eighteen valuable SLAVES. Credit will be allowed till the 10th of *June*, upon Bond with approved Security, to carry Interest from the Date, if not punctually paid, to

(4) JOHN DIXON, Administrator.
THOMAS DIXON, Mortgagee.

N. B. I desire those who bought Negroes of me last *December* to take Notice that their Bonds become due the 15th of next Month, and beg they will not fail to discharge them at the Time of the above intended Sale. A Compliance with this Request will save them a Year's Interest, and the Consequence of Neglect will be a Suit immediately against every Person failing. JOHN DIXON.

ALL Persons indebted to the Partnership of Purdie & Dixon *are hereby requested to make immediate Payment, as every Account which remains unsettled after the ensuing Court will be put into the Hands of an Attorney.*—— Mr. William Russell *will collect the Debts due to the said Partnership in* York *and* James City *Counties*.

PURDIE & DIXON.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidder, the* 3*d* Thursday *in* December, *upon the Premises, in Obedience to a Decree of* Gloucester *Court*,

ABOUT 400 Acres of good CORN and TOBACCO LAND, pleasantly situated on *Carter*'s Creek in the said County, adjoining the Seat of *Lewis Burwell*, Esq; There is upon it a comfortable Dwelling-house with several Offices, and a good Apple Orchard. Credit will be allowed the Purchaser till the first of *May* next, on giving Bond and approved Security to the Sheriff.

N. B. At the same Time will be SOLD Mr. *Zachariah Rowe*'s Right, in Reversion, to the Dower Slaves now in Possession of Mrs. *Rebeccah Rowe*, Widow of the late Mr. *Benjamin Rowe*, deceased, on the above Terms of Payment.

RUN away from the Subscriber, near *Williamsburg*, about a Fortnight ago, a Negro Man named JACK, of a very small Size, about forty Years old, and has lost his left Eye. Whoever delivers him to me shall have 10s. Reward, besides what the Law allows. ANDREW ESTAVE.

TAKEN up, in *Prince William*, near *Joseph Florence*'s Ordinary, a SORREL MARE about thirteen Hands and a Half high, her left Foot is white behind, has some white Spots about her Neck and Shoulders, branded on the near Shoulder D, and on the near Buttock G. Also a SORREL HORSE COLT one Year old this Spring, belonging to the said Mare. They are posted, and appraised to 8l. 10s.

(‖) WILLIAM FOSTER, Junior.

TAKEN up, in *Goochland*, a BLACK MARE about four Feet ten Inches high, seven or eight Years old, and branded on the near Buttock J. Posted, and appraised to 20l.

(‖) DEVERIX JARRATT.

TAKEN up, in *Louisa*, a BLACK MARE eleven or twelve Years old, four Feet eight Inches high, a Scar on her right Thigh, some white Hairs in her Tail, branded on the near Shoulder C, and on the Buttock B. Posted, and appraised to 8l.

(‖) GEORGE ADAMS.

PORT ROYAL, *October* 10, 1773.

THOSE indebted by open Account, to the Store lately kept by the Subscriber, in *Port Royal*, are requested to come and settle, pay off, or give Bond, as he will be under the Necessity to order Suit on all Accounts which shall be open after *November*.

He has for SALE 740*l.* Sterling worth of DRY GOODS, which he will barter for Tobacco, Corn, Wheat, *West India* Goods, or sell on Credit, at a very low Advance, the Purchaser giving Bond and approved Security. (4) ROBERT GILCHRIST.

Just IMPORTED *in the Ships* Neptune *and* Bland, *and to be* SOLD *at* John Carter's *Store, in* Williamsburg, *the following Goods*, viz.

SUPERFINE and coarse Broadcloths, *German* Serges, Beaver and *Bath* Coating, *Dutch* Blankets, Halfthicks, Osnabrugs, Rolls, fine and coarse *Irish* Linens, Damask Tablecloths and Napkins, Cambricks, Lawns, Muslins, Mens Buckskin Gloves, Womens and Girls Thread and Leather Gloves, Net Hoods, Glove Knots, black Catgut and Patent Net, black and white spotted Blond, Cotton Threads, *India* Ditto, Plush Silk for working Catgut, white and black Thread Edgings and Lace, Womens white and coloured Satin Pumps, Womens and Girls Calimanco Pumps, Childrens Purple and red Morocco Leather Pumps, Mens and Boys fine and coarse Hats, Ladies Riding Hats trimmed, Hair Brooms, painted Hearth Brooms, Plate Baskets, brown Copper Tea Kitchens, Copper Tea Kettles and Trivets, Coal Scoops, Cinder Shovels, round Iron Fenders, square Iron Chaffing Dishes, Locks and Hinges of all Sorts, Glass, Sets of Bed Screws, wooden and Brass Casters, Brass Door Knockers, Brass and wooden Screw Pullies, yellow and white Chair Nails, Brass Chaffing Dishes, House Bells, Scales and Weights, Jar Raisins, Currants, Almonds, Figs, white and brown Sugar Candy, Barley Sugar, Coriander Comfits, white and coloured Carraway Comfits, candied Orange Peel and Chips, Mace, Cloves, Cinnamon, Nutmegs, white Ginger, Pepper, Allspice, Anchovies, Capers, Olives, *India* Mangoes, pickled Barberries and Samphire, Linseed Oil, white Lead, Lampblack, Verdigrise, *Dutch* Pink, Umber, Vermilion, *Prussian* Blue, Allum, Brimstone, Rotten Stone, Powder Blue, Fig Blue, Starch, Saltpetre, best Sallad Oil, Sacks of Salt, Playing Cards, old Gin, *Hardham*'s best *Strasburg*, No. 9, Bohea and very fine Hyson Tea, Chocolate, Coffee, Mustard, *&c. &c.*

For SALE,

At our STORE in PORTSMOUTH,

Madeira, Tenerif, St. Michael's, Calcavella, and *Malaga* WINES.

Loaf and Muscovado SUGARS.

West India and *Northward* RUM.

Jamaica and old *Barbados* CANE SPIRIT.

COFFEE. PIMENTA. CHOCOLATE.

WHEAT FANS. MARBLE SLABS. A few HOLLAND made IRON CHESTS.

And a Quantity of fresh *South Carolina* RICE, and SOLE LEATHER.

INGLIS & LONG.

NORFOLK, *October* 25, 1773.

FOR CHARTER, the SNOW *Hopewell, John Aylett* Master, Burthen about 340 Hogsheads, or 10,000 Bushels. For Terms apply to

(tf) GREENWOOD, RITSON, & MARSH.

For SALE,

THE LOTS near the Capitol in *Williamsburg*, held in Coparcenary by the Orphans of the late *John Palmer*, whereon is an exceeding good Brick House two Stories high, also a small wooden One, very convenient for a Gentleman's Study, with two Rooms, all other necessary Outhouses, and a Garden. The Payments shall be made easy to the Purchaser, and a good Title when Possession is given, which will be on the 1st of *January*. LEWIS TYLER.

DUMFRIES, *November* 7, 1773.

TO be SOLD at *Cockpit Point*, on *Wednesday* the 1st of *December*, for ready Cash, by the Administrator, all the ESTATE of *Travers Downman*, deceased. There are several very likely Slaves, and some of them are remarkable good Watermen.

To be RENTED *for a Life, or Term of Years, as may be agreed upon, or the Interest of my* LEASE *to be* SOLD,

HOG ISLAND FERRY and ORDINARY, to which there is a fine Plantation, in excellent Order. For the Crop of Wheat now growing thereon I will oblige myself to allow to a Purchaser one Hundred Pounds; but if I lease the Place, I shall reserve the Crop to myself. As much Money as I have received in twenty Days by the Premises will satisfy me for the annual Rent.

H. U. ST. GEORGE.

POETS CORNER.

An ADDRESS *to the* GOUT, *on its first Visit, by a young Country Patient.*

WELCOME! thou friendly Earneſt of Fourſcore,
Promiſe of Wealth, that haſt alone the Power,
T' attend the Rich, unenvy'd by the Poor;
Thou that doſt Eſculapius deride,
And o'er his Gallipots in Triumph ride;
Thou that art us'd t'attend the Royal Throne,
And underprop the Head that bears the Crown;
Thou that doſt oft in Privy Council wait,
And guard from drowſy Sleep the Eyes of State;
Thou that upon the Bench art mounted high,
And warn'ſt the Judges not to tread awry;
Thou that doſt oft from pamper'd Prelate's Toe
Emphatically urge the Pains below;
Thou that art ever Half the City's Grace,
And add'ſt to ſolemn Doodles ſolemn Pace;
Thou that art us'd to ſit on Lady's Knee,
To feed on Jellies, and to drink cold Tea;
Thou that art ne'er from Velvet Slippers free;
Whence comes this unſought Honour unto me?
Whence does this mighty Condeſcenſion flow,
To viſit my poor Tabernacle?—Oh!
As Jove vouchſaf'd on Ida's Top, 'tis ſaid,
At poor Philemon's Cot to take a Bed,
Pleas'd with the ſpare but hoſpitable Feaſt,
Jove bade him aſk, and granted his Requeſt;
So do thou grant (for thou'rt of Race divine,
Begot of Venus by the God of Wine)
My humble Suit, and either give me Store
To entertain thee, or ne'er ſee me more!

TO be SOLD to the higheſt Bidder, at *Dumfries*, on the 10th of *December*, a NEW SCHOONER of about 1200 Buſhels Burthen. Three Months Credit will be given, and undoubted Security required. The Bond to carry Intereſt from the Date, if not paid at the Time. (2)

STOLEN out of the Subſcriber's Shop, or given to a wrong Perſon by Miſtake, a SILVER WATCH with a Silver Dial Plate, Maker's Name *Hipling, London*, No. 3723. I ſhould be obliged to any Maſter Watchmaker who ſtops the ſaid Watch, and any Perſon bringing it to me ſhall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward.
JAMES GEDDY.

N. B. Juſt IMPORTED, and SELLING at the loweſt Price, an Aſſortment of PLATE and JEWELLERY, conſiſting of Table and Tea Spoons; *Tarentz*, Punch, and Pap Ladles; Paſte Shoe, Knee, and Neck Buckles; Corals, Buttons in Gold and Silver, Seals in Ditto, Paſte and Cryſtal Earrings, Lockets plain and ornamented, plated Spurs, Ditto Buckles, Paſte Pins and Combs, Watch Chains and Keys, Brooches, Rings, &c. &c. J. G.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 7, 1773.

RUN away laſt *Sunday* Morning, from the Subſcriber, an *Engliſh* Servant Man named SAMUEL JOHNSON, of a middle Size, thin Viſage, has dark Hair tied behind, ſtoops a little in his Shoulders, is much ſubject to Liquor, and at thoſe Times very talkative and fond of ſinging; he had on a light coloured Cloth Coat and Jacket, blue gray Breeches much duſted with Flower, a black Handkerchief round his Neck, his Hat cocked, and pretty long before. He is a Baker by Trade, pretends to be well acquainted with the City of *London*, and ſays he has been in the *Eaſt Indies*. Whoever brings the ſaid Servant to me, or ſecures him ſo that I get him again, ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, and all reaſonable Expenſes paid.
JOHN DRAPER.

N. B. All Maſters of Veſſels are forewarned from carrying him out of the Colony.

RUN away from the Subſcribers, at Mr. *Lewis Ball's*, the 14th of *October*, at Night, five Convict Servant Men, who were taken the Day before from on Board the *Taylor*, at *Four Mile* Creek, viz. OLIVER MARTIN, 22 Years of Age, five Feet ten Inches high, of a brown Complexion, born in *Ireland*, is pert and looks well, and by Trade a Houſe Carpenter and Joiner; he had on an old brown Coat, and red Waiſtcoat and Trouſers. JONATHAN BOOTHMAN, an *Engliſhman*, 23 Years of Age, five Feet five Inches high, of a dark brown Complexion, and a thieviſh Look; he had on a white Cotton Waiſtcoat, and Trouſers. PAUL PRESTON, a *Penſylvanian*, thirty Years of Age, five Feet high, of a ſandy Complexion, and good Countenance; he had on a blue Waiſtcoat, and black Everlaſting Breeches. JOHN THOMPSON, born in *New England*, 35 Years of Age, five Feet four Inches high, of a black Complexion, and ſurly Look; he had on a blue Waiſtcoat, another of Cotton, black Breeches, and Trouſers. JOHN GAGAHAGAN, an *Iriſhman*, five Feet four Inches high, 45 Years of Age, of a black Complexion, is a well looking Man, and by Trade a Grocer; he had on a light coloured Coat, blue Waiſtcoat, and Leather Breeches. The four firſt are Seamen. Whoever takes up and ſecures them, or any of them, ſo that we may get them again, ſhall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward for each, if taken within twenty Miles of *Richmond*, and if farther, FORTY SHILLINGS for each.
(4) SAMPSON & GEORGE MATHEWS.

N. B. All Maſters of Veſſels are hereby forewarned from harbouring or carrying either of the ſaid Convicts out of the Colony, at their Peril.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, a DARK BAY MARE ſuppoſed to be about ten Years old next Spring, about four Feet two Inches high, has a Star in her Forehead, a Snip on her Noſe, is Creſt fallen, a natural Pacer, and branded on the near Shoulder I. Poſted, and appraiſed to 5l. (1) JAMES MEREDITH.

For SALE,

A VALUABLE TRACT of LAND lying in *Cheſterfield*, containing 1800 Acres, with a fine Apple Orchard, a great Quantity of Meadows and Marſhes, with fine Fiſhing and Fowling. It does not exceed five Miles to *Peterſburg*, nor ſix to *Osborne's*.

A TRACT of LAND lying in the aforeſaid County, containing 1600 Acres, which is well timbered, and lies level. At a very ſmall Expenſe may be erected upon it a fine Griſt Mill, on *Swift* Creek. It is convenient to *Peterſburg* and *Osborne's*, not exceeding ſix Miles to either. I will ſell this Tract of Land altogether, or in Parcels, as may beſt ſuit the Purchaſer.

Alſo a TRACT of LAND in *Amelia*, containing 1250 Acres, with a very good Dwellinghouſe, Kitchen, and all other neceſſary Outhouſes, a fine Apple and Peach Orchard, an exceeding good Griſt Mill, and the Plantation is in good Order for Cropping.

Any Perſon, inclinable to purchaſe the above Tracts of Land, may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber in *Cheſterfield*.
(6) JOHN RANDOLPH.

NORFOLK, *October* 20, 1773.

FOR CHARTER, to any Part of *Europe*, the SHIP *Sparling*, *William Prieſtman* Maſter, Burthen about 500 Hogſheads, or 12,000 Buſhels. For Terms apply to
(5) JOHN LAWRENCE, & Co.
Who have for Sale a Quantity of *Liverpool* SALT.

THE Subſcriber has a neat Aſſortment of EUROPEAN and INDIA GOODS for Sale, which he will lump off cheap for Caſh, Bills of Exchange, or Tobacco; and will give long Credit, if deſired, upon Bond with Intereſt, and approved Security. (5l) G. MASON.

THE Subſcriber has juſt opened TAVERN in the Town of *Newcaſtle*, in the new Houſe lately built by Mr. *Charles Tinſley* for that Purpoſe, and well adapted for the Buſineſs, having an extraordinary good Paſture very convenient to it. All who will favour him with their Cuſtom may depend they ſhall be well accommodated, and great Care taken of their Horſes.
(tf) DAVID CLARKE.

KING & QUEEN, *October* 10, 1773.

THE Subſcriber, from ſeveral Years Experience of the very bad Management of Overſeers, together with his own Want of a proper Knowledge in the Buſineſs of either the Farmer or Planter, though in Poſſeſſion of Lands extremely well calculated for raiſing Wheat, Tobacco, or *Indian* Corn, has come to the Reſolution to offer for SALE the following TRACTS of LAND, all of which may be entered upon at *Chriſtmas*, namely,

That beautiful Seat and Plantation on *Mattapony* River, in *King and Queen*, whereon *John Robinſon*, Eſquire (late Treaſurer) lived, containing 1381 Acres of high Land, and about 650 Acres of very valuable Marſh, alſo a very good geared Water Griſt Mill in proper Repair, the Toll of which maintains near ſixty in Family, beſides ſeveral Horſes, ſtands within 100 Yards of the River, and, at a ſmall Expenſe, may be conſtructed into a very convenient Merchant Mill. The Improvements on this Seat, I am credibly informed, coſt better than 5000*l.* and in Point of Convenience, Taſte, or Situation, is exceeded but by very few in the Colony, and ſo well known that a particular Deſcription is unneceſſary. The Marſh is remarkably rich and high, and the Subſcriber, intending to reclaim the Whole, has already done a conſiderable Length of very ſubſtantial Bank; a good Quantity of inland Marſh has been for ſome Time laid dry and in Meadow, and, from the Trial made, he is well ſatisfied is is practicable, at a much leſs Expenſe than is generally thought to attend Works of that Nature.

A Tract of very valuable Land in *King William*, formerly the Property of Colonel *Bernard Moore*, and known by the Name of *Woromonkoke*, containing 1780 Acres, and running near three Miles on *Pamunkey* River; the Soil is remarkably good for Wheat, Tobacco, or Corn, and is generally allowed to be as valuable and convenient a Plantation, for the Number of Acres, as any in the lower Parts of the Country. There are on this Tract a Dwellinghouſe ſeventy Feet long and twenty wide, in which Colonel *Moore* formerly lived, with many good and convenient Outhouſes, and very fine Peach Orchards. There alſo is, belonging to and adjoining this Land, a good Water Mill lately rebuilt on a fine and conſtant Stream ſufficient to carry two Pair of Stones in the drieſt Times, ſituated between the Branches of *York* River, not above a Mile from either, and is capable of being eaſily made a very valuable Merchant Mill, *Mattapony* being navigable up to it. When the late Speaker's Adminiſtrators advertiſed ſome Part of this Tract, in two Parcels, they ſay of the lower Part, containing 586 Acres, "It abounds with ſuch a Quantity of White Oak, that it is thought 1000*l.* Worth of Plank and Timber may be got off it." See the Gazettes, *May* 20, 1770.

Another Tract on *Roanoke*, in *Mecklenburg*, *Virginia*, known by the Name of *Black's Ferry*, 65 Miles from *Peterſburg*, about 250 Acres of which are very rich low Grounds well adapted for raiſing good Tobacco, a fine natural Meadow, and good Range for all Sorts of Stock. There is, at this Place, a publick Ferry eſtabliſhed by Act of Aſſembly, already very profitable, and promiſes to be as much ſo as any on the River, being thought the neareſt, from *Appamattox*, to the large Tobacco Settlements in *Bute* County, and other Places in *North Carolina*.

On the two firſt Plantations there are and will be put in the Ground 250 Buſhels of Wheat, and as the Mills do more than maintain all the Hands and Horſes neceſſary to be kept on theſe Plantations, all the Corn made thereon will be always for Market. There are large Stocks of all Sorts at all the three Places, which the Purchaſers may have, with Corn, Fodder, Hay, and moſt Sorts of Plantation Utenſils. The Terms of Sale are, one Eighth of the Conſideration Money next *Chriſtmas*, when Deeds are paſſed and Poſſeſſion given, another Eighth the *April* Term following, and the remaining three Fourths to be paid in three annual Payment, without Intereſt, upon Bond and Security being given to
(4) WILLIAM BLACK.

THE Subſcriber begs Leave to inform the Publick that he has got an extraordinary good PAINTER, who underſtands his Buſineſs as well as any Man in the Colony. He is a good Limner, Landſcape Painter, &c. and an excellent Hand at painting all Sorts of Signs, Coats of Arms, and Ciphers on Carriages. He can paint any Kind of Pictures as well, and as much to the Life, as thoſe imported from *England*. All thoſe who want ſuch Painting may depend on having it done in the beſt and moſt expeditious Manner, by applying to me in *Newcaſtle*.
(tf) CHARLES TINSLEY.

Purſuant to the Will of Mr. John Smith, *deceaſed, will be* SOLD, *on* Friday *the* 3*d of* December, *at his late Plantation in* King William,

A VALUABLE Stock of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, a large Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utenſils.

And on *Tueſday*, the 7th of the ſame Month, will be SOLD, upon the Premiſes, a very valuable TRACT of LAND known by the Name of *Pickmocky*, lying in *Henrico*, ſituated on the *Brook* Swamp, about four Miles from *Richmond*, and contains, by an old Survey, 200 Acres, 100 of which are very rich well timbered low Grounds drained by an extraordinary Piece of Dam Work, and the Place is in good Order for Cropping, having a ſufficient Quantity of Wheat now ſowed upon it. Likewiſe all Kinds of Stock, together with the Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utenſils.

And on *Tueſday* the 21ſt of *December* will be SOLD, on the Premiſes, a TRACT of rich and well timbered LAND containing above 2000 Acres, and lies in *Goochland*, on *James* River, near the Mouth of the *Great Bird*, and oppoſite *Elk* Iſland. There is upon this Land a Plantation ſufficient to work ſixteen Hands, and the Soil is very ſuitable for Tobacco, Wheat, and Corn. For the Convenience of Purchaſers it will be divided into ſeveral Lots, before the Day of Sale.——At the ſame Time and Place will be SOLD 91 valuable SLAVES, fifteen of whom belong to the Eſtate of Mr. *Joſeph Smith*, deceaſed, likewiſe a large Stock of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep, with the Crop of Corn, Fodder, and Plantation Utenſils.

One Half of the Purchaſe Money for the Lands to be paid the 1ſt of *May*, and the Balance twelve Months after that Time. Credit for the Slaves, Stocks, &c. will be allowed till the 1ſt of *July*, the Purchaſer giving Bond and Security, which is to carry Intereſt from the Date, if not punctually paid.
(10) WILLIAM ANDERSON, Executor of *John Smith*,
And Adminiſtrator of *Joſeph Smith*.

N. B. If it ſhould rain on any of the above mentioned Days, the Publick may depend the Sale will be the next fair Day.

There will be forty SLAVES more SOLD in *Goochland*, at the *Bird* Plantation, oppoſite to *Elk* Iſland, on the above mentioned Day (the 21ſt of *December*) for whom the Purchaſer, if required, may have longer Credit. And on *Wedneſday*, the 1ſt of *December*, will be SOLD, at the late Mr. *John Smith's* Plantation in *Hanover*, all the Stock of HORSES, CATTLE, SHEEP, and HOGS, on Credit till the 1ſt of *July*.

WOOLLENS.

JUST IMPORTED in the *Kingſton Packet*, *Joſeph Turner* Maſter, a few Bales of WOOLLENS, conſiſting of low priced BROADCLOTHS, DUFFILS, FRIEZES, with ſuitable Trimmings; a few Bales of DUTCH BLANKETS, alſo a Quantity of SEINE TWINE; which I will ſell on reaſonable Terms, for ready Money or ſhort Credit.
(tf) JOSHUA STORRS.

NORFOLK, *September* 28, 1773.

WE have lately imported a Quantity of EUROPEAN GOODS, in ſmall aſſorted Packages, which we will ſell at a low Advance, for Caſh or ſhort Credit; namely, KENDAL COTTONS, SADDLERY, IRISH LINENS, OSNABRUGS, low priced HATS, CHECKS, ſtamped COTTONS, SUITS of CLOTHES with TRIMMINGS, RUSSIA LINEN, DUFFILS, &c. We have alſo for Sale, a Quantity of *Cadiz* and *Lamatta* SALT, GINGER, PIMENTA, and choice *Liſbon* WINE in Quarter Caſks.
(tf) GREENWOOD, RITSON, & MARSH.

For SALE, *ſundry Tracts of* LAND, *in* Orange *County*, North Carolina, *namely*,

FIVE Hundred and thirteen Acres on *Dan* River, formerly the Property of *George Lumpkins*, has on it convenient Houſes, good Orchards, and a good Quantity of fine low Grounds.

147 Acres on *Hagan's* Creek, on which is a remarkable good Seat for a Mill, and is convenient to the above Tract.

320 Acres on *Mill* Creek, which formerly belonged to *Abraham Miles*, has on it ſome Improvements, and is good Land for Hemp or Tobacco.

270 Acres on *North Hico* River, which alſo belonged to *Abraham Miles*, and is exceeding good Land.

Alſo one Tract of Land in this Colony of 25 Acres, being an Iſland in *Dan* River, *Pittſylvania* County, which is ſaid to be the beſt Fiſhing Place on that River.

The above Lands are about 140 Miles from the Falls of *Appamattox*. For a more particular Deſcription of them any Perſon, inclining to purchaſe, may be informed by applying to Mr. *Roger Atkinſon*, or Mr. *John Jones*, at *Peterſburg*. I ſhall be in *Williamſburg* at the *November* Meeting, and will there let ſuch as want to buy know the Price for the Whole, or any ſeparate Parcel, and allow a reaſonable Credit. Bond, with approved Security, will be required at the Time Deeds are executed.
(9) CHARLES YATES,
Attorney in Fact for the Aſſignees of *Younger*, *Wilkinſon*, & Co.

FREDERICKSBURG, *September* 15, 1773.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 10, 1773.

COMMITTED to the publick Jail, from *Cumberland*, a Runaway Negro Man called TOM, five Feet ten Inches high, remarkably black, his Face much ſcarified with his Country Marks, both Ears bored, his right with four Holes and his left five, appears to be upwards of forty Years old, and cannot ſpeak to be underſtood, had on a Crocus Shirt and Trouſers. His Owner is deſired to take him away and pay Charges.
(12) PETER PELHAM.

TO BE SOLD,

FIVE Hundred and fifty Acres of LAND in the County of *Charles City*, with a convenient Dwellinghouſe and other Improvements.

Two Hundred and twenty Acres, in the ſame County, pleaſantly ſituated on *James* River.

Two Thouſand five Hundred and twenty Acres in the County of *Cumberland*, commonly known by the Name of *Saint James's*.

And one Thouſand four Hundred and twenty one Acres in the Counties of *Goochland* and *Cumberland*, on both Sides of *James* River, oppoſite to *Elk* Iſland.

The above TRACTS of LAND were of the Eſtate of the late *John Wayles*, deceaſed, deviſed to the Subſcribers, and are now offered for Sale. Perſons diſpoſed to purchaſe may be informed of the Terms, on Application to any one of the Subſcribers; and the Times of Payment will be made eaſy, on giving Bond and Security to
THOMAS JEFFERSON.
FRANCIS EPPES.
HENRY SKIPWITH.
(tf)

WOOLLENS.

THE Subſcriber has now upon Hand ſeveral Bales of coarſe Woollens properly aſſorted for a Store, from 60 to 80*l.* Sterling Value, alſo a large Quantity of COARSE CLOTHS and TRIMMINGS, in ſmall Bales, from 3*l.* 6*d.* to 12*l.* Sterling a Yard, which he intends ſelling by the Bale, or retailing by the Piece. He expects more coarſe Woollens, of all Sorts, in very ſoon. He ſells at a low Advance, for Caſh or ſhort Credit. Any Perſon applying to him, at Mr. *John Woodſide's* in *Norfolk*, or at the General Courts, may depend on being ſerved to Satisfaction. (tf) JOHN STONEY.

For SALE, *immediately, altogether, or to any Number of Perſons that will agree on a Diviſion among themſelves*,

TWELVE HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND, in *Suſſex*, one Mile below the Courthouſe, and joining *Nottoway* River for about a Mile, which affords Plenty of Fiſh, and makes near 100 Acres of low Ground well ſtocked with Cypreſs and other Timber; in the Banks are Plenty of Shells very good for Lime. Great Part of the high Land is rich, on which there is a pretty Situation for a Houſe, and ſufficient cleared for ten or twelve Hands to cultivate Grain on. Mr. *Clements*, Mr. *Hoomes*, or Mr. *Balfour*, will ſhow the Lands; and for Terms apply to *David Roſs*, Eſquire, Merchant at *Peterſburg*.
(tf) J. SYME.

NEWCASTLE, *July* 14, 1773.

THE Subſcribers have on Hand between ſix and ſeven Hundred Pounds Sterling Worth of EUROPEAN and EAST INDIA GOODS, which they will diſpoſe of at a low Advance, by Wholeſale, and make the Terms of Payment convenient to the Purchaſer.——We requeſt the Favour of all thoſe indebted to us to come and ſettle their Accounts immediately, by Bond or Payment, otherwiſe they may be aſſured their Accounts will be put into an Attorney's Hands, without Reſpect to Perſons. (tf) JOHNSON & TINSLEY.

TO BE SOLD,
And may be entered on immediately,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND in *Brunſwick*, containing about 1000 Acres, of which about 100 Acres are cleared. On the Plantation is an exceeding good Dwellinghouſe, underpinned with Brick, with three Brick Chimnies, a Kitchen with a Brick Chimney, and all other Outhouſes neceſſary for a Family and Cropping, all new built; alſo a very fine Apple and Peach Orchard. The Land lies within twelve Miles of *Hicks's* Ford, and joins the Road to *Eaton's* Ferry. A good Title will be made the Purchaſer, and the Terms may be known by applying to the Subſcriber, at *Cabin Point*. (tf) ADAM FLEMING.

YORK Town, *June* 9, 1773.

THE Subſcribers being very ſolicitous to comply with the Will of their Teſtator, the late Honourable *William Nelſon*, deſire that all Perſons who were indebted to him will endeavour to make as ſpeedy Payments as poſſible. Thoſe who have Accounts open on his Books, and who cannot immediately diſcharge the Balances, are deſired to give their Bonds. This Requeſt is the more neceſſary, as moſt of the Legacies bequeathed by the Teſtator are to be paid in Sterling Money, and he has directed that his younger Sons Fortunes ſhall be placed out at Intereſt upon undoubted Securities, ſo ſoon as it can be done. Thoſe who have any Demands are deſired to make them immediately known.
THOMAS NELSON.
THOMAS NELSON, Junior.
(tf) HUGH NELSON.
RO. C. NICHOLAS.

TO BE SOLD,

ABOUT fourteen Thouſand Acres of exceeding good LAND in the County of *Pittſylvania*. For Terms apply to Mr. *Hugh Roſe* of *Amherſt*, who will treat with any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe, and be empowered to make a legal Title.
CAROLINE, *May* 1, 7773. (tf) THOMAS LOMAX.

ALL Perſons may be ſupplied with this PAPER at 12*ſ.* 6*d.* a Year, and have ADVERTISEMENTS (of a moderate Length) inſerted in it for 3*ſ.* the firſt Week, and 2*ſ.* each Week after.——*** All Sorts of PRINTING WORK done at this Office in the neateſt Manner, with Care and Expedition.